GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL FOR NORTH EASTERN STATES
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether north eastern region has been contributing Rs.1000 crores to the country`s exports with tea accounting for 60 percent, coal 20 percent and cement 20 percnet;

(b) if so, whether there is any plan by the Government for setting up a separate export promotion council for the North Eastern States; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

a) As per DGCIS data, the Indian exports during 2005-06 from the North Eastern Region amounted to Rs.1130 crores.

b) No Export Promotion Councils have been constituted for important commodities/sectors with a view to promoting exports. No export promotion council has been constituted by the Government of India to promote exports from specific region.

c) Question does not arise.